



# OXNARD POLICE DEPARTMENT

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RE: Public Records Request 19-030

The City of Oxnard ("City") received your Public Records Act request on January 15, 2019. In your request, you asked for copies of the following information:

"1. From January 1, 2015 moving forward, number, if any, of 1) Number, if any, of unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAV's or drones) owned by this department or agency. 2) Number, if any, of unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAV's or drones) available for use by this department or agency via collaborative agreements that were utilized within the period encompassing this request. Please provide the name of the department or agency that made the unmanned Aerial Vehicle available to this department or agency for use. 3) Any documents or correspondence during the period encompassing this request regarding possible or planned acquisition of Unmanned Aerial Vehicles. 3) Any existing or proposed usage policies regarding the use of Unmanned Aerial Vehicles technology including protocols, training documents data storage procedures and prohibited activities. 4) Any current or past litigation involving or referencing this department or agency involving the use Unmanned Aerial Vehicles."

The Oxnard Police Department does not currently utilize drones, but has a draft policy in the event the City of Oxnard chooses to. I have enclosed the draft policy for your reference. The department also maintains a public website that includes all implemented policies and procedures. Within the site, under forms and documents, you can search by using "Control + F". A search field will be visible to type any word combinations. These policies are updated routinely. However with the recent 2019 changes, we are currently working on updating policies.

Please feel free to visit our site:

<https://www.oxnardpd.org/forms-documentation/policy-manual/>

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions regarding this information.

I provide this determination to you in my capacity as Police Records and Property Manager.

Sincerely,

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